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In re application of: Forbert et al

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Application No.: 09/447,030

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For: **METHOD FOR PRODUCING SUBSTANTIALLY GLOBULAR LYOGELS AND AEROGELS**

**Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 12, 2005 Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following remarks.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.